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Countryside criminals face crackdown



Students celebrate SE results



Margaret Phelan, who has lived in Flordon since the homes were first built, is joined by Joan Rawlinson (Flordon resident of 46 years) and Brenda Jeremy, who has also lived in the street since day one

Residents celebrate streets 50th birthday

RESIDENTS in Flordon, Birch Green, have been celebrating the estate's 50th birthday.

At an event on Saturday. August 7 people were also able to mark 'many milestones' which were not able to be celebrated properly during the Covid lockdowns.

Organiser Sheila Kelly said: "It was very wet and windy, but we made the best of it and everyone had an enjoyable day. It

was a fun day.

"After everything that has gone on during the last 16 months, people have not been able to celebrate family occasions, such as birthdays, properly. So we decided to hold

this event. Everyone brought their tables out onto the street, and games were organised for the children. There were flags up from one end of the street to the other.

"There is a terrific community spirit in Flordon and everyone looks out for one another. Due to the design of the estate you can stand on your doorstep and

talk to people across from you. "There are a few people here from when the street was built. But people who had lived on the street and left, came back to join in the celebrations.'

On the day, Carla Kelly also had her hair shaved for Macmillan nurses, and raised £553.

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Mum of injured youngster joins calls for action to be taken against vob motorcycle riders



Logan with the injuries to his face

THE mum of a 10-year-old boy who was left with a laceration across his face after being knocked over by a motorcyclist on a footpath in Skelmersdale, is calling for 'nuisance bikers' to be taken off the streets 'before someone is seriously injured or killed'.

Nicola Simpson said her son, Logan, had been walking on the footpath by Banks-barn Park on Monday, August 9 between 6pm and 6.30pm when the incident happened.

The youngster was left with the large gash to his face from underneath his eye to his neck, and he was also badly shaken by the incident.

Nicola commented: "My son was hit by a black motorbike, which was being ridden by a youth, aged about 18, and wearing a black hoodie. The handlebars of the bike knocked my son over. The rider didn't even stop after the incident.

"He was left shocked and shaken. Logan was lucky to just come off with marks to

Report by **Henry James**

his face, but it could have been much worse. If a baby had been hit by a motorbike, they could have been killed.

"Nuisance motorbikers are always riding round this area and the issue seems to be getting worse. Will someone have to be killed before anything gets done?
"These bikers need to be stopped and

something needs to be done."

MP Rosie Cooper, who has campaigned against the use of such bikes, commented: "It is simply unacceptable that children and adults alike should be frightened to use public footpaths because young people on motorbikes think they have the right to use them illegally!
"Skelmersdale residents and I have been

reporting these issues to the police and council for many years. In a recent meet-

ing with the local chief inspector, he told me that police have been active in targeting this problem. While they have had some success, this awful incident is evidence that more needs to be done

urgently!
"Constituents have even reported that the Council have installed bollards attempting to prevent this type of use of the footpaths. Unfortunately, the bollards are easily wide enough for motorbikes to pass through so have very little effect!

"If we allow this anti-social behaviour to continue it is inevitable that more people will be seriously hurt. Previous attempts have had limited success, so Lancashire Constabulary, LCC and WLBC need to work together to find ways to permanently tackle this problem."

Lancashire Police said they are investig-

ating the incident. Anyone who may be able to assist with the investigation, or report bikers riding illegally, is asked to contact police on 101.



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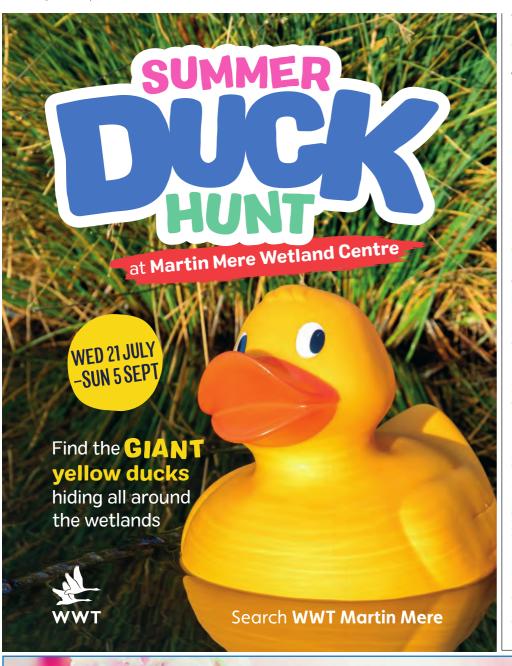
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Police step up efforts to crackdown on countryside criminals

Report by **Henry James**

POLICE have visited rural areas and met with farmers in West Lancashire as part of a fresh crackdown on 'rural crime'.

Andrew Snowden, Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire, teamed up with the South Rural Taskforce as they patrolled some of the rural areas surrounding Ormskirk and Burscough.

They heard from officers about the challenges they face from crime and the successful work they have already done in just five months since the taskforces were created.

He then visited a West Lancashire farm where a number of local farmers and partners including the RSPCA had the opportunity to discuss issues around rural crime, and ask the Commissioner what he would be doing to support the taskforces and communities in general.

The rural taskforces launched earlier this year with 20 officers dedicated to tackling rural crime, engaging with the community, and understanding their

Andrew Snowden, said: "It is clear from talking to the number of farmers from across West Lancashire that came to meet with me, the toll that rural crime can take, through the negative impact on their livelihoods and the mental strain that comes from being targeted by criminal gangs and even threatened. "However, it is heartening to hear the impact that

the new rural taskforces are having by being dedicated to serving rural communities and addressing their unique policing needs. I am determined to build on this progress as I develop my Police and Crime Plan and look at future investment into rural poli-

cing. "This is all part of my commitment to the people of



Andrew Snowden, Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner, with members of the rural task force in West Lancashire

Lancashire that all of Lancashire's areas and communities, from more rural areas to our largest cities, feel protected. I will be working closely with the Chief Constable on the issues that matter to people, such as anti-social behaviour and getting tough on reoffend-

ing, as I lead the fight against crime in Lancashire."
Sgt Darren Carr said: "The introduction of the Rural
Task Forces has made a significant impact on our rural communities. In the south of Lancashire alone the team has seized 152 stolen vehicles, machinery and plant to a value of approximately £785,00 and 57 offenders have been prosecuted.

"One of the prosecutions resulted in a Criminal Behaviour Order being imposed on a male who had caused misery for farmers of West Lancashire and Merseyside for years. Not only was he convicted of a number of animal cruelty related offences but he has been banned from the area protecting the rural communities from further offences.

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Some of the pupils who learnt how to be

Youngsters learn how to be future entrepreneurs!

CHILDREN from St Richard's Primary School in Skelmersdale have taken part in an exciting programme to learn about how business works and prepare them for an exciting future as entrepren-

The Virgin Money project works by developing leadership, team-working, problem solving and money management.

All of the Year three children, with the support of their teachers, Miss Morgan and Mrs Leadbetter, designed their own business ideas.

These included a slime shop, sweet shop, personalised pencil cases, a school magazine and even customized face masks. Each child started with just £5, giving them £150 as a class, but following their advertising campaign and successful shops they turned this into £457! A massive 200% profit.

A school spokesperson said: "Look out for these future entrepreneurs - with this early start they could be the Richard Bransons of the future.

Police dismantle cannabis farm

OFFICERS from the Police Neighbourhood Task Force and Immediate Response unit have dismantled a substantial cannabis farm that was discovered on Elmridge.

The farm set-up included an elaborate electrical wiring system which included a

meter bypass. A male has been

arrested on suspicion of production of cannabis and for abstracting

The cannabis farm in

A spokesman for Skelmersdale Police said: "Community intelligence is vital in tackling

drugs.
"If you have any information, you can report this online via the Lancashire Police website or report it anonymously to Crimestoppers."

Waiting list for heart care in West Lancs could 'more than double' pre-pandemic levels

Report by **Henry James**

THE waiting list for patients in the West Lancashire area needing heart care in the coming months, could 'more than double' pre-pandemic levels, a leading heart charity has

A forecast from the British Heart Foundation suggests the cardiology waiting list in the borough could be 850 by March 2022, up 116% from the 394 it was in February 2020 before the pan-

The figures for neighbouring Southport and Formby show the cardiology waiting list could be 772 by March 2022, up 119% from the 352 it was in February 2020. In South Sefton the cardiology waiting list could be 646 by March 2022, up 96%

from the 329 it was in February 2022.

More than 50,000 people in the North West of England face waiting for life saving heart diagnosis and treatment two years after the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, according to new modelling by the BHF.

In February 2020, around 27,500 people were on cardiology waiting lists in the North West of England. The BHF predicts that, by March 2022, this could reach a staggering 56,000 due to the

The forecast is of a worse case but 'possible' scenario where the NHS in England doesn't get

BHF report warns of 'untold heartbreak' for patients needing cardiology treatment

sure from Covid-19 or a bad winter.
It comes as a new

report by the charity -titled The Untold Heartbreak reveals that without decisive action now, the BHF estimates it will take between three and five years for the heart care backlog in England to recover to pre-pandemic levels.

Even before the bandemic began, pandemic 225,000 people in England were on cardiology waiting lists for heart

diagnosis or treatment, while around 8.400 people were waiting for heart surgery.

There were 5,800 'excess' deaths from heart and circulatory conditions in the first year of the pandemic in England, and the significant delays to care have likely contributed to this figure.

Even in a better case scenario, where already-pledged Government funding supports NHS Eng-land to address the heart care backlog more quickly, the BHF estimates it would still take at least three years for heart care waiting lists to return to pre-pandemic levels.

However, the Government could reduce the heart care backlog by years if further significant action is taken now, the charity says.

This, says the BHF, must include a clear plan for

cardiovascular services and rapid investment to build more capacity into NHS England and relieve pressure on exhausted health workers, as well as better support for heart patients while they wait for vital treatment.

The charity warns that without this immediate intervention, there is a risk that thousands more people could die from heart and circulatory diseases, despite the NHS going above and beyond during the pandemic.
Professor Sir Nilesh Samani, medical director at

the British Heart Foundation, said: "Even before the pandemic began, waiting lists for vital heart care were far too long.

"At this critical moment, the Government must act now to avoid more lives lost to treatable heart act now to avoid more lives lost to treatable heart care backlog is only the start. We must also see a clear plan, alongside significant and ongoing investment, to build capacity back into the NHS and address the pandemic's impact on health workers. Getting this right would avoid preventable heart-



Professor Sir Nilesh Samani, medical director at the British **Heart Foundation**

New Covid-19 self-isolation rules in force

FULLY vaccinated people no longer have to self-isolate if they are a close contact of someone with Covid-19.

From Monday (August 16), people who are double jabbed or aged under 18 are not legally required to self-isolate if they are identified as a close contact of a positive Covid-19 case.

Instead, double jabbed adults and under 18s who are identified as close contacts by NHS Test and Trace will be advised to take a PCR test as soon as possible to check if they have the virus.

People do not need to self-isolate while they wait for the results of the PCR test. PCR home tests can be ordered online or by calling 119, or by going to a local test

Anyone who tests positive following the PCR test will still be legally

required to self-isolate.

Meanwhile anyone who develops one of the three traditional symptoms of Covid-19 - a high temperature; a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste- should selfisolate and get a PCR test, and remain in isolation until the result comes back.

If you have any other symptoms

and are in doubt, take a PCR test.
Alongside PCR testing, everyone in England is encouraged to take up the offer of free, twice-weekly rapid testing to find additional cases among people who do not have symptoms

Allan Oldfield, vice chair of the Lancashire Resilience Forum, said: "These changes will massively reduce the disruption Covid-19 has caused to our lives and go some way to seeing life return to normal. These new rules only apply to those who have had both doses of the Covid vaccine, however, so if you are eligible and have not yet taken up the offer to do so - please

"We must also continue to take sensible steps to limit the spread of the virus within our community, such as washing hands regularly and wearing face masks in crowded places.

Restrictions

"Thank you to everyone who has continued to do this in recent weeks, despite restrictions easing, to help manage the Delta variant that is still ever present in Lancashire."

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, director of Public Health for Lancashire County Council, added: "Cases of Covid-19 remain high in Lancashire, and we are now starting to see a rise in a number of districts.

"Having two jabs is still the most

effective thing you can do to protect yourself against Covid-19. Doing so will significantly reduce the chance of hospitalisation and death and will reduce the chance of spreading the virus to others, although it is not

100% effective in preventing transmission.

"If you are eligible and are not yet fully vaccinated, please do so at the earliest opportunity to protect yourself and those who you care about.'

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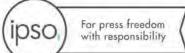
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AVERAGE SCORE 9.7/10 22,000 REVIEWS NATIONWIDE Pensioner, 97, told to order medication on the internet!

Report by **Henry James**

CONCERNS have been raised again about the repeat prescription ordering system in West Lancashire.

The borough's MP Rosie Cooper, cited the case of a 97-year-old man who was told to go online to reorder their medication - a situation the MP described as 'worrying'.

Ms Cooper had previously contacted NHS England and the Health Secretary to ask for interventions to be made after the Prescription Ordering Direct services was found to be failing patients in unacceptable ways. Control of the service was then handed to the West Lancashire GP Federation, from the local Clinical Commissioning

Group.

While this initially seemed to have improved the service, the West Lancs MP has again felt the need to publicly raise concerns about the service.

The MP said: "It is worrying that within the last month several people have had to contact me to ask for help after they have been completely unable to get in contact with the POD to order their repeat prescription. repeat prescription.

"These are prescribed and essential medications that patients are unable to order because their calls are never answered! This simply cannot be allowed to happen. I understand that the service has been struggling with staff shortages that are now being addressed but when people are going without their prescribed medication, this excuse is not good enough and needs to improve!

"A 97-year-old man contacted me, worried that a number of his medications were due to run out but he had not been able to reorder them. When I alerted the GP Federation, instead of contacting him

MP raises concerns over repeat prescription service in West Lancs



immediately to resolve the problem, he was told

to go online to order them!
"There are still plenty of people that either don't have access to the internet or would struggle to use it in this way. I am in favour of technological improvements but only when it doesn't prevent vulnerable or elderly people from accessing the healthcare they need."

A spokesperson for NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), said: "The CCG is working very closely with the GP Federation who provide our Prescription Ordering Direct (POD) Service to address any issues that arrive with the provision." with its provision.

"In recent weeks the POD has been impacted by staff shortages, as a result of sickness and vacancies, which has led to a strain on the capacity of the service. Although these issues have now been rectified and the service is back fully operational to normal levels.

"Where possible we encourage people to use the online Patient Access website and app to order and manage their repeat prescriptions. This therefore leaves our phonelines clear for any patients who are unable to use smartphone or internet technology to get through to our POD team.

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Harvey (left) who has diabetes and runner Joseph

Runner completes 200 mile challenge in only one month for toddler who has diabetes

Report by **Henry James**

A SKELMERSDALE runner completed an incredible 200 mile challenge in only one month to raise money for a work colleague's two-year-old son, who has Type One Diabetes.

Joe McCormick, 58, who works for West Lancashire Borough Council, ran six miles every day and eight miles on Saturday and Sundays

throughout July.
Joe organised the fundraiser for two-year-old Harvey, who is the son of his work colleague Stephen Duckworth.

The event has already raised £1,110. The money collected is going to the Children's Diabetes Team

at Ormskirk Hospital.

Joe said: "We wanted to raise as much aware-

on the last day (Saturday, July 31) Joseph completed a half marathon. All runs started on or before 4am every day, then Joseph went to work. He added: "I used the Strava app so all my runs

showed on the JustGiving page and go straight to Stephen's phone so all the data was recorded.

"I have ran marathons in the past, but this was another level to what I have ever done before."

Harvey was diagnosed in November 2020 with Type 1 diabetes and has been under the care of Ormskirk Hospital's Children's Diabetes team ever

Dad Stephen added: "From the moment he was diagnosed, the help and support Ormskirk Hos-

pital have provided has been phenomenal.

"Joe is a work colleague of mine and upon my return to work and hearing about Harvey's diagnosis, Joe very kindly decided he was going to do his charity run this year (he does one every

year for all sorts of great causes) for Harvey.

"Joe went above and beyond in not only his target but his generosity also, donating money himself and also getting the message out there.

"We thank each and every one of you who donated and or helped spread the message and raise awareness of disloters you all have made.

raise awareness of diabetes, you all have made a difference.'

For more information visit the website: https://is.gd/z3euEB

Skelmersdale set to host two national orienteering races!

ORIENTEERING comes to Skelmersdale, when not one but two British Championships take place this weekend!

Orienteering is a sport that combines running and naviga-

Competitors navigate between checkpoints using a specially-made, detailed map.

There is no set route so the skill and fun come from trying to find the best way to go.

Competitors are timed out and back and the winner is the person to complete the course in the fastest time.

This Saturday (August 21) a Relay event will take place, starting and finishing at the Amphitheatre off Yewdale.

Runners will be finding their way up into Yewdale and adjacent estates as teams from across the country go head to head in a bid to become British Champions. Races will start at 1pm until around 4pm. There will also be a chance for

anyone wishing to come and try this absorbing sport, with some courses tailored to beginners on

That's also from 1pm at the



Orienteering competitors at a previous event

Amphitheatre. Competitors over the weekend, both male and female, will be aged from

The Sunday (August 22) sees the Individual races where runners compete in their age

classes to be British Champions. Centred at Delph Side Community Primary School, courses will take competitors around the Eskdale, Tanhouse and **Elmers Green estates**

Weekend coordinator Norman Hall said: "As locals will know full well, it's very easy to get lost

"The intricate housing layouts

will provide a superb technical map reading challenge for even the most experienced ori-

"But as they'll start at minute intervals on each course to prevent them just following, there

won't be any big packs.
"All most residents will notice is a heavier than usual stream of runners, and maybe a few of the red and white markers we use

to identify the checkpoints. "We are grateful to West Lan-cashire Borough Council who have given their permission for the weekend's events to take

Care home gets glowing report after surprise inspection by CQC

PRAISE has been heaped on a Skelmersdale care home after industry inspectors paid an unannounced visit.

Aaron Crest Care Home, on Tanhouse Road, was awarded a "Good" rating by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) following their latest assessment.

Inspectors spoke to over a dozen residents, relatives, and staff members, as well as reviewed care records and staff files, before giving the home a green light on two key questions covered in the report – is the

service safe and is the service well-led.

The report stated: "People and their relatives told us they were happy with the care and support and provided positive feedback about the staff.

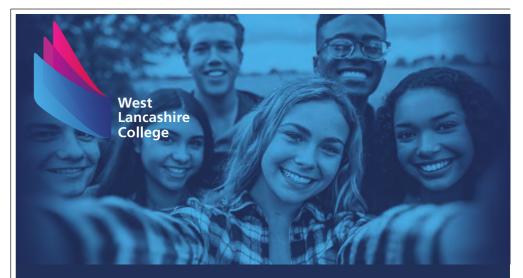
People told us they felt safe living in the home. Relatives we contacted had no concerns about the safety of their family members. Relatives told us they were happy with the contact from the home

Inspectors questioned staff about their daily responsibilities, their knowledge of residents' needs, and the support they receive from their employer.

"Staff told us both the training and supervision processes supported them with their role. People were positive about the quality of service they received. Staff were also positive about the leadership of the ser-

Emma Willoughby, home manager at Aaron Crest Care Home, said: "We are absolutely delighted with our latest CQC inspection report.

The report reflects the hard work and dedication of our staff, ensuring our residents have a safe, caring, comfortable and enjoyable place to live."



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Help us stop rural crime, urge charity

Crimestoppers in appeal to help thwart countryside gangs

Report by **Henry James**

CRIMESTOPPERS has launched an appeal for anonymous information to help protect rural communities from criminal gangs and stop cruel sports that take place illegally in the countryside.

Rural crime is, say Crimestoppers, 'repetitive and organised' and, without information, it can't be tackled. Now they are asking visitors to the North West to help by being the 'eyes and ears' of these more isolated communities and report anonymously what they see.

In the year to April 2021, Crimestoppers nationally received nearly 2,700 anonymous reports about rural crime.

While this is a 14% increase on the year before, it suggests a degree of under-reporting – hence why the charity is launching this awareness-raising campaign to encourage more people to speak up.

Last year the charity passed on more than 31,000 anonymous pieces of information given to them from the people of the North West.

From its latest claims' statistics, NFU Mutual estimates that rural theft cost the UK a staggering £43.3m in 2020 and the North West region £3.7m.

The charity's four-week local and national campaign is underway and is supported by NFU Mutual, RSPCA, Countryside Alliance, NFU, Openreach, FireStoppers, Link, National Wildlife Crime Unit, Environment Agency, CLA and the Angling Trust.

Key themes will focus on wildlife crime, environmental crime and theft, all of which have a detrimental and often crushing affect rural communities.

Initially, the campaign will explore hare coursing,



Crimestoppers asking people to speak up to stop rural crime

poaching and badger baiting, with advice on how to spot the signs, sharing prevention advice and hearing from organisations who work with the police and other partners to prevent and solve these crimes. The campaign will show how anonymous information can help police investigations.

crimes. The campaign will show how anonymous information can help police investigations.

Gary Murray, North West regional manager at Crimestoppers, said: "Working together, we can help protect our precious countryside and rural environment, communities and business from the harm caused by these criminal gangs."

John Hayward-Cripps, chief executive of Neighbourhood Watch Network, said: "With headlines often focused on crime in the cities, it is easy to forget rural crime, but rural crime is increasing and is a serious issue.

"From hare coursing to machinery theft, the impact of rural crime on victims' lives and livelihood can be enormous, with victims often left with long-term anxiety. Together we can stop it."

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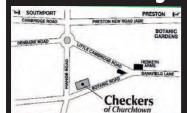
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Youngsters celebrate GCSE results after second year of Covid disruption to exams

Report by **Henry James**

YOUNGSTERS in West Lancashire are celebrating after receiving their GCSE results last Thursday.

This was the second year that results were

This was the second year that results were determined by teacher assessments following disruption caused to exams by Covid.

A spokesperson for Lathom High school said: "We could not be prouder of how hard our Year 11 students worked, both in school and at home, for the way they applied themselves in all their assessment tasks, and for the resilience, sheer grit and determination they demonstrated in completing everything required of them, not only during this process but during their time at Lathom.

"Studying for GCSEs and Cambridge National Qualifications is always demanding and challenging but I think it is only right, in such unusual times, to single this group of students out for special praise. They have achieved academic and personal success in the most gruelling of times. The past two years have been filled with fear and uncertainty; to have dealt with this and still maintained their focus and commitment must be valued and celebrated."

Headteacher at Tarleton Academy, Victoria Hill stated: "Our staff would like to recognise what a pleasure it has been to work with our Year 11 students over the last five years and to watch them grow and blossom as individuals.

"They forged excellent relationships with each other, creating a mutually supportive ethos, which



Ormskirk School pupils with their GCSE results

has been so important in these challenging times. They have developed into a group of ambitious, self-motivated and caring young people, who we are sure will embrace whatever future challenges lie ahead with confidence and positivity.

"As a school we will continue to work with them for as long as they need us, and they will always remain members of our wider school family."

Mrs MacLaren, Head of School at Burscough Priory Academy told us: "We would like to congratulate all of our students. Their resilience, hard work and determination has culminated in the results that have been awarded.

"We have seen relief and joy in many of our students who, following disrupted GCSE courses, are now moving onto their chosen destinations."

With high level success at grades eight and nine

across a wide range of subjects, Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Engineering College in Skelmersdale is particularly delighted with the achievements of Matthew Blanchard, Amy Bridges, Charlotte Fannon, Rachael Foster, Harry Marsh, Matt Mezosi, Braden Snell, Grace Storey-Williams, Diana Wiedemann and Julia Zielonacka.

Headteacher, Alison Knight, said: "This has been an exceptionally challenging year for everyone and our students have been outstanding in their resilience and commitment to working hard and achieving these excellent results. We congratulate them all on their achievements!"

At Ormskirk School, the head of school
Mr Burnham stated: "The resilience of
these students has been outstanding as

these students has been outstanding, as they have continued to study and work hard throughout the ups and downs of the last couple of years. And let's make no mistake about this, they went through a gruelling assessment period for six weeks of their summer term, where they have been thoroughly tested and assessed in every subject. They totally deserve their grades and this is time to celebrate."

St Bede's headteacher, Phil Denton, commented: "People may think that grades this year have been achieved without examinations however that couldn't be further from the truth.

"The students have undertaken rigorous assessment processes in every subject area to ensure they are given a fair grade for their work rate and ability. We could not be prouder of this fine year group."



Pupils celebrating their results from Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Engineering College (above) and Burscough Priory Academy (below)





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Fostering campaign launched to urge people to come forward

PEOPLE who want to make a real difference to the lives of older children and teenagers in Lancashire are being urged to consider fostering.

With nearly 60% of children in care in Lancashire aged more than 10 years old, the county council launched a new campaign to encourage people to come forward to foster older children and teenagers.

County Councillor Cosima Towneley, cabinet member for children and families, said: "When people think of fostering there is a tendency to opt for a younger child or siblings. This could be due to our propensity to believe the teenage years to be more challenging.

more challenging.

"This is somewhat of a stereotype and forgets how rewarding and important supporting children through these transformational years can be.

tional years can be.
"It is a different experience in that older children are testing the boundaries of adulthood.

"An experience that we can all relate to as being at

once exhilarating and frightening. This only reinforces the need for them to have stability, consistency, love, and support. They need a caring home that will provide security and support to give them the chance of a brighter future.

"If you think you have what it takes to foster an older child or a teenager then please get in touch."

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Couple plan Hollywood Ball to raise funds for charity that supports their daughter

By Danielle Thompson

A COUPLE are holding a spectacular ball for a children's charity in Mawdesley that has supported their daughter for the last 14 years.

last 14 years.
Lisa and Paul Maddison, who live in Formby, are holding their Hollywood Ball for Rainbow Hub, the charity supporting children and young people with physical and neurological disabilities, where their daughter, Katie, 15, has attended conductive education for the past 14 years.

The couple were not able to go ahead with their annual event last year due to the pandemic but this year's Ball will be held in the Ambassador Suite at Formby Hall Golf Resort and Spa on September 18.

Guests will enjoy a four course dinner followed by live entertainment from The Wickermen. A raffle and live auction

will be held as well as the opportunity to win a 1.5ct diamond jewellery set donated by HSBC.

The highlight of the evening will be a captivating dance routine, specifically created for the event by choreographer Emma Lippitt and will be performed by The Hollywood Hotties – find out more at justgiving.com/fundraising/hollywoodhotties

Lisa Maddison, said: "We are so looking forward to a fantastic evening and special thanks to Luke Martin of the TFS Group for his continued support which is so crucial to the charity and enables them to continue to provide their life-



From left, event sponsor Luke Martin and his fiancee Rebecca (right) with Katie

enhancing therapies to disabled young people throughout the North-West.

"The response to the event has been tremendous and we know that our guests are very much looking forward to the evening whilst raising funds for Rainbow Hub. The event is the combined result of many acts of generosity from many people and companies who all wish to support the charity. We are always so grateful to everyone for their involvement and we are so excited to able to welcome our guests on September 18."

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Family friendly events to give boost to high streets and businesses

Report by **Henry James**

WEST Lancashire Borough Council will hold a range of family friendly entertainment across Skelmersdale, Burscough and Ormskirk to help support local high streets and businesses.

The events are being funded by the government's Welcome Back Fund and will be free for families look-

ing for activities during the summer holidays.

The events planned will all take place between 11am-3pm. The location and dates for each event are

Skelmersdale, at the ground floor of the Sandy Lane Centre close to the Post Office entrance

Saturday, Aug 21: 'Welcome Back' – Giant Games,

balloon modelling
- Saturday, Sep 4: Giant Games, face painter

Burscough, on Smithy Walk to the front of

Burscough Wharf
- Saturday, Aug 21: 'Welcome Back' - Birds of Prey display and Face painter
- Tuesday, Aug 24: Interactive Games
- Thursday, Aug 26: Mr Stix Children's Entertainer
- Saturday, Sep 4: Interactive Games
- Saturday, Sep 4: Interactive Games

Ormskirk, in the pedestrianised streets of the

town centre

- Friday, Aug 20: 'Welcome Back' event showcasing

Titan the Robot, Acro Chaps and Mr Stix
- Wednesday, Aug 25: Interactive Games and a Face

Painter - Friday, Aug 27: Interactive Games and a Balloon

Modelling Councillor Ian Moran, leader of the council said: "We are delighted to have this funding so we can support families by providing free entertainment over the



Children can enjoy face painting, interactive games and much more!

school holidays and can help support our local businesses. We know these events will be really popular so we ask everyone to continue to stay safe and social

distance."
The Welcome Back Fund is providing councils across England a share of £56 million from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) to support the safe return to high streets and help build back better

This funding builds on the £50 million Reopening High Street Safely Fund (RHSSF) allocated to councils in 2020 and forms part of the wider support government is providing to communities and busi-

This funding can be used to run publicity campaigns and hold activities in the town centre that will boost footfall and encourage people back into the town centre safely and thereby supporting local busi-



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Residents want railway vegetation cut down after it grows above garden walls!

Report by Henry James

RESIDENTS in Burscough who live next to a railway line want Network Rail to cut down the vegetation which is starting to grow higher than their garden walls!

Locals say they can see the shrubbery from their windows, but Network Rail say there are no plans to cut it back unless it becomes a 'safety issue'.

One resident, who did not want to be named, said: "The vegetation is so high. I can see it when I look out of my window.

"Every year we have the same problem. My neighbour has a similar issue. You can see it from the house - it is terrible.

"I want Network Rail to cut it back. When I look out from my landing window, I can't believe what I see. My neighbour is as frustrated as I am with this. If we ever sold our houses who would want to live with this problem.

"The problem goes back 20 years. There used to be machinery to deal with this.

A Network Rail spokesperson responded: "We're sorry to residents who are finding the growth of lineside vegetation by the railway unsightly. We dedicate significant resources every summer to cutting back quick-growing plants which could impact passenger and freight trains running safely, and the



Residents are annoyed about the height of the vegetation along the railway line

safety of properties owned by people who live

beside the railway.
"Our ecologists also carefully consider the need to leave habitats for animals which also call the railway home. We've had no reports from train drivers that plant growth this summer in that area is a concern. Our maintenance teams have visited the area in recent weeks, and we'll continue to monitor the situation and act if it becomes a safety issue.

Ormskirk Camera Club get ready for new programme

ORMSKIRK Camera Club is running a mixed programme of events from September to May.

They have a range of speakers and club competitions

If residents would like to learn

more about the club, they should visit www.ormskirkcamer-aclub.weebly.com

Similarly, if people would like to speak with a club member or register an interest, they can email ormskirkcc@gmail.com In these uncertain times, they are not yet able to confirm if their meetings will be via Zoom or at their base on Moorgate when they resume on September 2.



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Public needs to fight NHS bill

I'm writing to express my ongoing concern regarding the government's proposed reforms of the NHS and the impact that will have on the day to day services received by the residents of West Lancashire.

The new Health & Care Bill, which has passed its first two reading stages in the House of Commons and is currently at committee stage, will allow further privatisation of health services and I fear this will make it harder for families to access the care they need, within the appropriate

I've experienced myself the impact of this as I had my second child in October 2020 under the care of Ormskirk Hospital but all my contact came via a central hub based in Preston under the umbrella of Virgin Care.

Week by week I didn't know which midwife I would see, and I lost the chance to make the personal connections I had done seven years earlier when I had my

Also, I opted for a home birth due to the pandemic however, as the midwife team were from across the area, only one midwife made it

to me in time for the birth, rather than the recommended two.

My baby was a breech birth, at home, and luckily we were both fine though we did have to be transferred to Ormskirk for checks. I have written to our MP, Rosie Cooper, regarding my thoughts and she has responded to confirm that she will continue to raise the concerns of her constituents to the Health Secretary and in the House of Commons but I think the public also need to continue to speak up and fight this bill.

M. Parlour, Ormskirk

Dog muck versus horse manure debate has become absurd

The debate about dog faeces vs horse manure is absurd as dog faeces contain harmful bacteria which attracts flies and rot from a diet of putrid digested

This is compared to hay digested in a longer intestine which is drier and is used to fertilise

vegetation.

Dog fouling is a prevalent health problem, most dogs are not working animals or disabled service animals.

Due to the vocal few, our restaurants and hotels now allow access to these animals, effectively meaning that we pay to stay in a modern zoo.

This trend has developed due to the inability of some humans in communicating with each other and seeking companionship with animals.
On the subject of Chinese lan-

terns, it seems somewhat of a misnomer compared to the

huge number of non-biodegradable face masks that are scattered all across urban areas and beauty spots alike.

I haven't seen much in the way of Chinese lanterns but I doubt it causes as many problems as the masks do.

Birkdale

Scum of the earth

The Champion's report on the low-life scumbag who left a dog locked in the boot of a car in hot weather, really incensed me.

Such people are the absolute scum of the earth with no thought for the suffering that could be caused to a defenceless animal.

It makes you wonder if they have they same attitude to all life, including humans.

The sooner people like this are put on a space ship and lost forever, the better.

Incensed Parbold

Patients bumped down waiting lists

While we are in the midst of the deepest health crisis in decades, the Conservatives have launched, what I consider to be, a dangerous NHS Bill. The Health and Care Bill should really be called the NHS Corporate Takeover Bill.

National and local campaign groups such as our Peace and Justice Project Skelmersdale have become increasingly concerned by the implications this Bill will have for us all and the future of our access to health and social care.

This Bill opens the door for private corporations to sit on local health boards which make critical decisions about NHS budgets and services. It also allows NHS bodies to award contracts to private healthcare providers with even less scrutiny and transparency than they do now.

This will open the door to yet more privatisation and even greater handouts to 'corporate mates' that we have seen become all too common during the pandemic.

When the priority should be a decent pay rise for NHS staff, tackling record waiting lists and invest-ment in both NHS and social care, the government are instead looking at how to continue their stealth privatisation of the NHS.

The public overwhelmingly back the NHS being returned fully as a public service, the Bill is being spun as a way of addressing the huge failings of the 2012 Health and Social Care Act that made markets and competition central to the NHS. That's not to say any step away from that disastrous model would be positive, but sadly this Bill is simply a way of entrenching privatisation in a different way.

This Bill does not address the worst failings of the 2012 reforms, it does drop the ridiculous competitive tendering process, but does not make it a requirement that the services are or could be delivered in-house or even that the NHS is a default option for providing healthcare services and as pointed out by Unison, the Bill does not reverse the measures that permitted NHS hospitals to increase their income from treating private patients from two per cent to 49 per cent of their total income.

As EveryDoctor, a doctor-led campaigning organisation highlighted, that change meant NHS hospitals began to treat private patient units using NHS staff, time, resources and equipment and with NHS patients bumped down the waiting lists. Austerity and underfunding drive the need for such private funding.
An unbelievable £100bn, that's one hundred

thousand million pounds of public money has gone to non-NHS providers of healthcare over the last decade alone. Every pound spent on privatised and outsourced services is a pound less spent on

This is not only the wrong Bill but it comes at the wrong time. NHS staff have been through the most intense 18 months in NHS history. The Health Secretary Sajid Javid has warned that record waiting lists could even top 13 million with another Covid surge, putting further pressure on the NHS.

Any new Health and Care Bill should be about addressing the decade of Conservative health cuts

and privatisations that have pushed our greatest institution to the brink.

The Government are privatising OUR NHS through the backdoor. The recent parliamentary vote on the new Bill is just the first stage in what needs to be a big battle for our NHS, both inside and outside Parliament.

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John Earle. Skelmersdale

We've always had climate change

I read with great interest the letter from C Quarrie. regarding climate change.

I couldn't agree more.
Climate change has always occurred throughout the history of our planet.

For a different view it is worth looking at the website 'Not a Lot of People Know That' produced by Paul Homewood.

It helps to add a different per-

spective to the madness and shows how following through with certain plans such as electric cars, heat exchangers, building energy proof housing, is simply not cost effective nor necessary

Rory Green, Burscough

Time to stop the tinfoil hat-wearing conspiracy theorists and listen to experts

In a recent edition of the Champion, someone wrote in essentially saying climate change is uncontrollable and we 'should just sit back and let it happen'. In my opinion, it is irrespons-

ible and potentially dangerous to spread misinformation like this. I'll listen to the experts rather an elderly man in Maghull. We all know that opinion can

be completely wrong, except for those people who are vulnerable enough to believe that climate change is natural (which is more than you'd think) so why bother publishing it and risk more people in the area turning into tinfoil-hat-wearing conspiracy

Joe', Ormskirk

Try walking in Aughton! there's no reason whatso-

We are all being asked to walk more, for the benefit of both our health and the planet.

Try that in Aughton.
I walk every day, often with my dog. The hedges and hedgerow are over-grown, leaving very little of the pavement to walk on.

There doesn't seem to be a single road in Aughton that doesn't have cars, vans, lorries etc parked on the pavement, forcing pedestrians, in particular people with young children and prams, onto the roads.

There are very few single track roads in Aughton, so

ever for people to park on the pavement. Most roads in Aughton

have a 20 mph speed limit, the rest are 30 mph. Even on the smaller roads and especially on the major roads, no-one ever appears to take any notice of this, making it even more dan-gerous for people having to go onto the road to get past vehicles parked on the pavement.

I'm sure the rest of the area is the same, but I can only speak for Aughton.

John McCormick, Aughton

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'Outdated' war memorial flags to be replaced after complaints from residents

Report by **Henry James**

WAR memorial flags at the Skelmersdale and Ormskirk Cenotaphs will be replaced following complaints from some residents that they look outdated.'

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper claimed she had been contacted by several locals who described the flags as in a "tired and sorry state."

Ms Cooper contacted West Lancashire Borough Council about the condition of these flags and has been informed they are now in the process of being replaced, with the flags also being reviewed annually to stop a reoccurrence of this issue.

Rosie Cooper MP said: "I am delighted that West Lancashire Borough Council are replacing both flags and will hold an annual review of these cenotaphs to stop such an issue arising again.

"These Cenotaphs are a part of our history and must be treated with the utmost respect and we must take pride in our flag and those who fought for it.

"With the replacement and regular checks to maintain the Cenotaphs I expect these flags not to fall into a



The Ormskirk Comrades War Memorial flanked by World War one and Two memorial

poor state again, or at least being replaced as appro-

A spokesperson for West Lancs Borough Council said: "We are committed to ensuring all our war memorials are maintained. We are in the process of replacing the flags and their condition will be assessed annually to ensure they are in good condition.

Health group to hold public meeting

RESIDENTS in West Lancashire comed in advance. The event are invited to join NHS West Lancashire Clinical Lancashire CCG chief finance to receive a meeting invite Commissioning Group's (CCG) annual general meeting (AGM) next month.

The AGM will again be held virtually on Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, September 28 (6-7pm) and questions are wel-

officer Paul Kingan, who will introduce presentations on the annual reports and accounts for the CCG before answering any questions received before the event.

If people wish to attend the

Questions must be submitted by Friday, September 24.

For those unable to attend, the meeting will be recorded and made available to view



Martin Mere news



Marsh Harriers Breed For First Time

When you are walking on the Reedbed Walk or looking over the reserve from one of our hides, it is always worth looking out for birds of prey. At this time of year, their presence is usually indicated when a large flock of birds, such as lapwings, avocets or black-headed gulls, take to the sky making a racket, warning everything in the area that a predator is about. You may even see some birds dive-bombing the predator. This behaviour is known as "mobbing" and the birds do this to drive the predator out of their area.

Scanning through a cloud of panicked birds will usually reveal the culprit that has scared them into flight; it will usually be a buzzard, sparrowhawk, peregrine or, at the moment, most likely a marsh harrier.

The reason that marsh harriers are a common sight on the reserve at the moment is because this species has bred at Martin Mere this year. This is the first confirmed breeding of this species on our nature reserve. And, like the number 76 bus, two breeding pairs turned up at once.

Each of the pairs has raised two young and so, with eight birds on site, a visit to Martin Mere

over the next few weeks almost guarantees a sighting of this special bird.

The marsh harriers are very attractive birds with the female and young birds being a rich chocolate brown colour with a cream-coloured head. The male is not so uniformly coloured but can easily be identified by grey wing patches and black wing tips. Perhaps the best way to identify the harriers is to look for a large bird that is gliding over the wetland with its wings held up in a distinct, shallow V shape.

With migration now under way, our home-bred marsh harriers will also be joined by birds from further afield. Through the use of wing tags, we have previously been able to identify marsh harriers from Norfolk that have spent time on the Martin Mere reserve in autumn.

Many other birds will now be migrating through the reserve, which makes the next couple of months one of the most exciting times of the year to visit the reserve. It's not just the marsh harriers that will be on show – almost anything can turn up.



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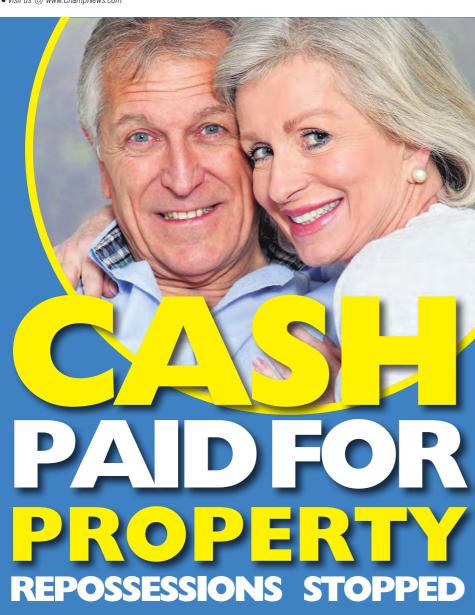
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Super Skem topple Town and open up points account

Report by Simon Driscoll

Runcorn Town 2 Skelmersdale United 4

UNITED scored a first league win of the season as they sealed a 4-2 win over Runcorn Town at the Viridor Community Stadium.

Paul McNally welcomed Alex Davies, Tom Croughan and Matty Hamilton into the starting eleven in place of the injured Joe Herbert and strike duo Danny Mitchley and Emini Adegbenro who began on the bench.

A rapid start from United saw Mikey Howard sweeping a shot over the bar before being denied the opening goal on seven minutes by a superb last-gasp goal line clearance from Town captain Marcus James.

Town replied with Kieran Holsgrove hitting over the bar from an angle before Kenny Strickland swept a long-range free-kick over the target. Another great chance for Howard saw his header from a Callum Preston corner cleared just before the line. At the other end, Ben Barnes was called into action as he saved low from a Dale Jennings shot with Jennings sending a free-kick over the bar minutes later.

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The deadlock was finally broken on 37 minutes as Matty Hamilton picked out the run of Elliot Morris who collected the pass and slotted low past Adam Reid for 1-0 to United. Runcorn came close to an instant leveller as Ryan Cox saw his shot cannon off the post and it proved a costly miss as United doubled the lead on 42 minutes. Morris collecting the ball on the edge of the area before sashaying through the defence and slotting past Reid for 2-0.

The final chance of the half went to Town as Hols-

The final chance of the half went to Town as Holsgrove curled a free-kick narrowly over the bar as the sides went into the interval with United leading comfortably at 2-0.

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The second half opened with Jennings hitting across goal before Barnes saved strongly from a Ben Greenop effort.

United looked to build on their lead as McNally sent on Emini Adegbenro which led to an instant impact as a pacy run from Alex Griffiths saw the ball finding Adegbenro in space who fired in for 3-0. United almost had double joy from the bench as a few minutes after coming on for his debut Freddie Potter hit narrowly over the bar.

Reid saved strongly from a Tom Croughan effort



Skelmersdale on the attack on Saturday. Picture by Neville Berkeley

before he denied Hamilton who combined nicely with Potter. Hamilton claimed his second assist of the afternoon as he swept a shot towards goal that was tapped past Reid by Croughan for 4-0 on 66 minutes.

United continued to threaten with Reid saving efforts from both Croughan and Hamilton before collecting a swirling free-kick from Strickland, the lead came close to an extension as substitute Danny Mitchley slotted past Reid only to see his joy quashed due to the offside flag.

As the game entered the final five minutes, Adegbenro pinged a shot against the post with a rebound from the kick before Bor Borness broathed origin

As the game entered the final five minutes, Adegbenro pinged a shot against the post with a rebound from a free-kick before Ben Barnes breathed a sigh of relief after claiming the ball after his attempted clearance cannoned off Greenop.

Town finally got off the mark on 85 minutes though as Kevin Exell curled an effort into the top corner for 4-1 before they reduced the deficit to 4-2 late on as substitute Craig Cairns slotted past Barnes. The final whistle signalled joy for United as they opened their NWCP points account for the sea-

Runcorn Town - Reid, Turner, Shaw, James, Richards, McManus (Holmes 63), Exell, Cox (Antoine), Greenop, Jennings (Cairns 51), Holsgrove Subs not used-Ruffer, Simms.

Skelmersdale United - Barnes (C), Griffiths, Preston, Davies, Grogan, Strickland, Morris (Adegbenro 54), Djalo, Croughan (Mitchley 71), Howard (Potter 57), Hamilton. Subs not used-Glennon, Brodie.

Referee- Jamie Kilgannon Att-114

A big weekend ahead for borough's teams

By **Neil Leatherbarrow**

THE weekend ahead sees Skelmersdale United in FA Cup action and Burscough looking to bounce back from a couple of defeats on the road

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Burscough fell to a second away defeat of the season in Cheshire on Saturday despite a valiant effort, a strong looking Winsford taking advantage of a couple of mistakes to grab the three points. The score ended Winsford United 3 Burscough 1.

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On Saturday (August 21)
Skelmersdale are away to Irlam
as they look to emulate last season's glorious cup run, having
seen off the challenge of Vauxhall last week in a replay at the
JMO Sports Park, at the same

time Burscough are at home to Padiham, 3pm kick off.

The two games on paper and recent form are winnable.
The fixture against Irlam (who

The fixture against Irlam (who do have something of a cup reputation from their games in the FA Vase) is like any away cup tie, and will be difficult, although it isn't an impossible game if the respective starts to the season are anything to go by

the season are anything to go by.
Irlam have three points from
three league games, however,
two of those games were against
promotion candidates Macclesfield and Congleton Town.

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It won't be easy for Paul McNally's lads but it is the FA Cup and that competition does see Skem raise their game. If a replay is necessary it will be at the JMO Sports Park on Tuesday, August 24, 8pm kick off.

Burscough play Padiham at the Community Ground on Saturday and for those yet to have a look at the Linnets new ground it is behind the old one, just 50 yards away.

away.

Padiham have yet to register a victory this season and have one point from three league games. Last Saturday they drew 1-1 at home to Squires Gate. They certainly represent an opportunity for the Linnets to bounce back to the form that saw them get off to such a promising start to the season.

Neither team has a scheduled midweek game next week but Skem's FA Cup result on Saturday might change that. The weekend after is Bank Holiday weekend, we will have more about that in next week's Champion The Champion ●Wednesday 18 August 2021 Visit us @ www.ChampNews.com ● 17









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12th August 2021

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TONY

Peacefully Aged 87 years.

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his Grandchildren. Tony will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Funeral Service

will take place at St. John's Church, Birkdale, on Wednesday 1st September 2021 at 11.00 am. followed by a private family committal at Southport Crematorium. Due to current restrictions, attendance in the Church is limited. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Cancer Research

All enquiries to Moisters Funeral Directors, 8 Marshside Road. Churchtown. Southport. PR9 8PF Tel: 01704 227430.

BELL SUSAN (SUSIE) **MARIE**

Passed away peacefully at St Joseph's Hospice on Thursday 12th August

Susie was a pure and gentle soul who inspired others with her grace and courage.
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May she rest in

Beloved daughter of Joan and Jim, precious sister to Laura and Susie, was also a much loved sister in law, aunty. neice, cousin and friend.

the funeral will take place at St. Peter and Paul's Church, Liverpool Road, Crosby at 1.30 pm on Friday 27th August, followed by cremation at Thornton Crematorium.

Family flowers only but donations if so desired, to St. Joseph's Hospice.

All Enquiries to H. Leslie Humphreys 69 Liverpool Road, Crosby, L23 5SE Tel 0151 924 4805

BOND RUSSELL **PETER**

Passed away peacefully on 11th August 2021 **Aged 81 years**

Beloved only Son of Peter and Elizabeth Bond, Much loved Brother to Glenys, **Eunice and Shirley** and the late Maureen and Sheila. Brother-in-I aw to Stephen, Edward, Terry, Nigel and Jim. Fond Uncle to all his Nephews and Nieces and their children

Russell will be sadly missed by all his relatives and friends and all who knew him

Funeral service and cremation to take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 27th August 2021 at 2pm Family flowers only by request but donations if so desired can be made to Queenscourt Hospice Donations and further enquires please to M.Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG Tel: 01704 214118

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LEATHERBARROW NORMA LEONORA

From Southport Passed away neacefully on Friday 6th August, at home Aged 90 years.

Devoted Wife to Bill Leatherbarrow. Dearly loved Mother to Carol and Diane, and Mother-in-Law to Chris and Phil. Treasured Grandmother to Charles, Sophie Poppy, and Joel.

Funeral service to take place at Southport Crematorium on Thursday 19th August at 1pm. Family flowers only please. Donations, if so desired, will be gratefully received for Dogs Trust.

'A very kind and loving person, caring and selfless to the end.

All enquiries C/O Moisters Funeralcare, 8 Station Road, PR8 3HS Tel: 01704 575282

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JOHNSON NEE SPENCER NORA

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Passed neacefully at Melrose Court on 7th August 2021, aged 101 years.

Much loved wife of the late Stephen.

Nora will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Funeral service to take place at Churchtown Village Church, Botanic Road, Southport on Wednesday 25th August 2021 at 10am followed by committal at Southport Crematorium

No flowers by request please but donations to Churchtown Village Church would be gratefully received

Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ Tel No: 01704 532106

DAVID WILKINSON

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MCGUIRE MICHAEL STUART (MICK)

Passed away peacefully at Queenscourt Hospice on 14th August 2021 Aged 57 years.

Beloved Son of Bill and Maureen and Brother to David. Dearly Loved Husband of Fiona.

Funeral Service at West Lancs Crematorium on Tuesday 31st August 2021 at 1.00pm. Family flowers only please by request but Donations are being gratefully received for Queenscourt Hospice.

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DEATHS

HOARE LILIAN MAY (LILY)

(Nee Givens) on 6th August 2021 **Peacefully at home** Aged 76 Years

Loving Wife of the late Ken. Devoted Mum of lan, Paul and Lynn. Dear Mother in law of Denise. Dave and Irene, Cherished Nan of Jenny, Hannah, Emma, Megan, Becky, Danielle and Edward.

Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service will

take place at Christ The Servant Church on Monday 23rd August at 1.30pm followed by committal at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please by request, donations if desired for the British Heart Foundation or The Work Of Christ The Servant

All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane Tel:01695 559868

WARD BARBARA

11th August 2021 Peacefully at her home in Skelmersdale Aged 71 years.

The dearly loved Wife of the late Tony. Loving Mum of Jason, Andrew and Jamie. Dear Mother in law of Jenny and devoted Nanna Barbie to Kerry, Josh, Freya and Anna.

Funeral service at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 27th August 2021at 1:00pm. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Queenscourt Hospice.

All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & Co., Independent Family Funeral Directors Tel:- 01695 722122/720012

DEATHS

HOARE LILLY

Peacefully at home **Aged 76 years**

Much loved sister to Fric Sister in law to Phil & Auntie to Andrew. Kevin, Ray & Families

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BRADY DOROTHY **ANGELA**

31st May 1941 -8th August 2021



Peacefully in her sleep after a long illness, at Elm House Care Home.

Dearly beloved Wife to Michael, Much loved Sister to the late Joseph Betty, Ethel, and Joan. Greatly cherished Auntie and Great Auntie to her many Nephews and Nieces

Devoted nurse and a dear friend to all. We fondly remember her gentle care and infectious sense of humour. Dorothy will be missed more than words can say, and will remain in our hearts and memories forever

A Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Monday 23rd August at 12pm.

A requiem mass will be held at St Teresa's Church, Everton Road Birkdale, on Monday 13th September at 12pm. Family flowers only please but donations will be gratefully received for Elm House Nursing Home, Cambridge Road, Southport.

Michael and family would like to thank Heather, Becky and all the staff at Elm House for their dedication and loving care of Dorothy over the last few years It really was a home from home

Further enquiries please to Moisters Funeral Directors, 8 Marshside Road Churchtown Southport, PR9 8PF. Tel: (01704) 227430

DENNIS OLLERTON

10th August 2021

DEATHS

It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved Husband, Dad, Uncle, Brother in law and Cousin.

Dennis passed away peacefully with his wife Janet and Son Philip by his side on 10th August 2021.

"Lord put your arms around him and kiss his smiling face, for he is very special and can never be replaced"

The Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday 25th August 2021 at West Lancashire Crematorium at 11.00am. Family flowers only by

request please, donations are being gratefully received for the Air Ambulance. Donations and

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ERIC August 4th 2021

BILLINGTON

DEATHS

Peacefully in hospital Aged 86 years



Reunited with his beloved Partner Neville.

Eric was a lovely man and will be loved and sadly missed by everyone who knew him.

Fric's funeral service will be held at Thornton Crematorium on Monday 23rd August at

12:00 noon.

All enquiries to Barringtons **Funeral Services** 28 Crosby Road North, Waterloo L22 4QF

Tel: 0151 928 1625

PATRICIA MARY 'PAT'

DEATHS

From Bursocuah

MCGHEE

Passed away neacefully at home surrounded by family on 11th August Aged 74 years.

> Devoted Wife to Tommy.

Dearly loved Mother to Carla, Matthew and the late Stephen and Mother in law to Mandy, Sid and Marcy.

Treasured Grandmother to all her Grandchildren

Also a dear Sister, Sister in law, Aunt and friend

Funeral Service to take place at St John the Baptist Church, Burscough on Thursday 19th August 2021 at 3.15pm followed by a Committal at West Lancashire Crematorium.

Family flowers only by request please, but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Queenscourt Hospice.

Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel 01704 897770.

SCRAFTON ELIZABETH (BETTY)

on 6th August 2021 **Peacefully in hospital Aged 86 Years**

Loving Wife of Bryan. Devoted Mum of Susan (Dec'd), Anne and Brvan, Dear Mother in law, cherished Nan, Nanny, Sister and Auntie.

Will be sadly missed by all her family and

Funeral Service at Greenacres, Rainford in Thursday 26th August at 2.00pm. Immediate family flowers only please by request, donations if desired for Christie Hospital.

All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Tel:01695 559868

WELSH JOHN **LAWRENCE**

Passed away on 8th August Aged 90 years.

Husband of the late Margaret.

Dear Father of Sheila.

Funeral Service will take place at St John the Baptist Church, Burscough on Tuesday 24th August 2021 at 1pm, followed by an interment at Ormskirk Parish Church.

Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel 01704 897770.

MARK (MAL) 9th August 2021

REAGAN

Peacefully at home with family at his bedside Aged 64

Dearly loved Husband of Teresa. Loving Father to John and Leanne. Devoted Grandad to Katie, Molly, Tommy and Paddy. Will be sadly missed by family and friends

Funeral service is being held at West Lancs Crematorium on Thursday 19th August at 1pm followed by Briars Hall. No flowers but donations if desired to Macmillan or Cancer Research



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13th August 2021 Aged 89 years

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Norman will be missed by all family and friends. Funeral Service to take place at Tarleton Methodist Church, Church Road, Tarleton on Thursday 26th August 2021 at 11am followed by cremation at West Lancashire Crematorium.

Donations are being gratefully received in memory of Norman for Dementia LIK Further enquiries to

David Wilkinson Independent Funeral Directors, 291 Hesketh Lane, Tarleton, PR4 6RJ Tel - 01772 811165

HARBOTTLE MARY

10th August 2021 **Aged 85 Years**

Passed away peacefully at Dovehaven House Much loved Mum of Susan and Michael. Grandma to Aidan, Rae, Liam, Joanne, Louise and Great-Grandma to Finley and Nancy. Mary will be greatly missed by all her family and friends

Service at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 24th August at 11:00am. Donations are being gratefully received in Mary's memory direct to Cats Protection in lieu of flowers

Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

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GREEN EDWINA

Late of Ormskirk, Welsh by birth

Passed peacefully away on 10th August at home with all of her family

Dearly loved Wife of the late Reg Green, beloved Mother of Karen, Chris and Judith, she was also an adored Grandmother.

Edwina will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Edwina's funeral service will take place on Friday 31st August at 10am at Burscough Crematorium.

By request family flowers only but donations may be kindly made to the Royal National Lifeboat Institute (RNLI) in Edwina's memory, via Hunters Funeral Directors.

All enquiries to Hunters Funeral Directors 128b Burscough Street, Ormskirk, 139 2FY Tel 01695 572997

FITTON VALERIE JUNE

4th August 2021 Aged 86 years.

Widow to Michael William Fitton. Mother to Simon & Sarah. Mother-in-law to Sarah & Graham and Grandma to Alex, Harry, Lily & Poppy.

Funeral Service and Interment at Ormskirk Parish Church on Thursday 19th August at 11.00am.

Family flowers only by request, donations if so desired are being gratefully received for Cancer Research and Alzheimer's Society.

Further enquiries please to Sally Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 22a, Liverpool Road North, Burscough. Tel: 01704 891555

HARWOOD CLIVE JOHN

Passed away peacefully at the Royal Liverpool

surrounded by his family on 8th August Aged 79

Dearly loved Husband of Pat. Devoted Dad & Father in law to Audra & Dave, Colette & Bill. Kathryn & Simon. Joanne & Paul. Much loved Grandad to Emma, Steven, Tess, Adam, Marie & Gerard & Great Grandad to Athena & Isaac.

He will be loved & greatly missed by all his cousins. friends & neighbours.

Requiem Mass at St Annes Ormskirk on Thursday 19th August at 1.30pm followed by committal at West Lancs crematorium. Family flowers only please by request but donations if so desired to Cancer Research & Child

Death Helpline at the

Alder Centre.

For donations and further enquiries please contact Anabel Hunter, MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Lancs, 1 39 5D7 Tel: 01695 424888.

LOWRY **JOAN**

Suddenly at home on 29th July 2021 Aged 86 years.

Much loved Mother of lain Treasured Grandmother of Hollie "Mum, Grandma & Friend"

Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Formby Luncheon Club/Art Club & Macmillan Cancer Support.

Further enquiries please to The Cooperative Funeralcare. 58 Brows Lane, Formby L37 4ED Tel 01704 878480.

DEATHS

PILLING JOHN **RADCLIFFE** (BOPPY)

2nd August 2021 Aged 92 Years

In loving memory. Devoted Husband of the late Mary. Father of Susan, Judith and the late Janet. Father-in-law to David and the late Chris. Adored Grandfather to Victoria, Katie, Sarah, Claire, Beth, Rachel, Helen and Great Grandfather to Alexander and all the extended family.

Funeral service on Friday 3rd September at Emmanuel Parish Church, Southport at 1:00pm followed by committal at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please but donations if so desired can be sent to the British Heart Foundation.

Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors. 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086

HOPKINS TRACY

(nee Schofield)

Passed away peacefully Aged 53 years.

Tracy will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Service at Southport Crematorium on Friday 27th August at 11am

Family flowers only please, however if desired donations are being gratefully received in Tracy's memory direct to British Heart Foundation.

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The closing date for both posts is Friday 3rd September 2021.

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vacancy, as the current post holder is moving to a larger

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parish an increase in working hours could be negotiated

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commensurate with experience. However, as a guide the

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Council no later than Wednesday 1st September 2021.

Details of the postal and E mail addresses to which

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Roger Clayton on 01695 731335.

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

LANCASHIRE COUNLY COUNCIL
(U1037 VICARAGE LANE, WESTHEAD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic of the roads set out in this notice.

No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of U1037 Vicarage Lane, Westhead from U1034 Ruff Lane, Ormskirk to U1038 Vicarage Close, Westhead.

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of

3. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0800 hours until 1700 hours from Monday 6 $^{\circ}$ September 2021 until Tuesday 7 $^{\circ}$ September 2021 or until completion of the works within this period.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: U1034 Ruff Lane, Ormskirk - U1043 Whiteleys Lane, Ormskirk - U1040 Wellfield Lane, Westhead - U1037 Vicarage Lane, Westhead and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow network maintenance works to be carried out by MJ Quinn on behalf of BT.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780

IRef: HRiT/30748/EW1

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (C117 BOLD LANE, AUGHTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVENthat Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of C 117 Bold Lane, Aughton from C 124 S andy Lane, Aughton for a distance of 465m in a North E asterly direction.

 $2. \ Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.$

3. The prohibition will be operative daily between 0930 hours and 1430 hours from Wednesday 6th September 2021 until Friday 8th September 2021 or until completion of the works within this period.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: C117 Bold Lane, Aughton – C118 C hurch Lane, Aughton – C118 St Michael Road, Aughton – A59 Northway, Aughton – C121 Winifred Lane, Aughton – C117 Bold Lane, Aughton and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the installation of 2x telegraph poles to be carried out by MJ Quinn on behalf of BT.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement N Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780 ent Manager IR ef: HR iT/30891/FW1

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GEORGE WILLIAM PIGGIN (De

GEORGE WILLIAM PIGGIN (Deceased)
Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any
persone having a claim against or an
interest in the Estate of the above named,
late of 32 Courtfield Ormskink Lancashire,
L39 1LB, who died on 05/07/2021, are
required to send written particulars
thereof to the undersigned on or before
19/10/2021, after which date the Estate
will be distributed having regard only to the
claims and interests of which they have
had notice.

THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

LANCASHIRE SUMMER TRIATHLON 2021, ORMSKIRK, WEST

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as mended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle r cycle (except for event participants) from proceeding over the following ength of highway, in the Borough of West Lancashire, as set out below; S chool Lane, from its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with

. Ruff Lane, from its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with S carth

i. Whiteley's Lane from its junction with Scarth Hill Lane, to its junction with A577 Wigan Road (Lathom)

r. Vicarage Lane in a North E ast and E asterly direction from its junction with uff Lane to its junction with S chool Lane.

van Lane to its junction with School Lane. • Ruff Lane in a South Easterly direction from its junction with Beech Aeadow to its junction with Vicarage Lane.

Alternative routes for vehicular traffic and cyclists affected by the closures is

. Ruff Lane - A570 Knowsley Road - A577 Wigan Road - A577 Cross Hall

Frow - A577 Wigan Road and vice versa. i. Ruff Lane - A570 Knowsley Road - A577 Wigan Road - A577 Cross Hall

Brow - School Lane - Vicarage Lane. iii. A577 Wigan Road - A577 Cross Hall Brow - A577 Wigan Road - A570 St Helens Road - Scarth Hill Lane and vice versa.

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times, vehicular access fo

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable the holding of the West Lancashire Summer Triathlon event 2021.

The prohibition will be operative from 0530 hours until 1530 hours on Sunday 29th August 2021. (Or, at such time as, the last competitor has passed a point specified in the first column of the schedule to this notice.)

Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRT/27386/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Ivy House Farm from a point 50m South West of the Level Crossing to a point 50m North East of the Level Crossing.

. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of

2. The prohibition will be operative as per the below schedule:i. From 2200 hours on Saturday 4th September 2021 until 0800 hours on Sunday 5th September 2021
ii. From 2200 hours on Sunday 5th September 2021 until 0800 hours on Monday 6th September 2021
iii. From 2200 hours on Monday 6th September 2021 until 0600 hours on Saturday 11th September 2021
or until completion of the works within this period.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:-. 164 Hoscar Moss Road, Ivy House Farm - C 164 Ring O Bells Lane, .athom - A5209 Briars Lane, Lathom - A5209 Lowry Hill Lane, Lathom \5209 Course Lane, Newburgh - A5209 Ash Brow, Newburgh - A5209 Alder Lane, Parbold - B5246 Lancaster Lane, Parbold - B5246 Chorley Road, Parbold - B5246 Chorley Road, Hilldale - B5246 Robin Lane, Hilldale - B5246 Robin Lane, Bispham - B5246 Hall Lane, Bispham - C164 Mains ane, Bispham - C164 Wanes Blades Road, Lathom - C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Ivy House Farm and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the full renewal of the level crossing to be carried out by Amberon Ltd on behalf of Network Rail.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780

[Ref: HRiT/30988/EW]

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LOANS/FINANCE/MORTGAGES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

(C164 HOSCAR MOSS ROAD, IVY HOUSE FARM, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

NOTICE IS HERERY GIVEN that I ancashire Cou an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Ivy House Farm from 30m South West of the Level Crossing to 30m North East of the Level Crossing.

Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying

. The prohibition will be operative from 0005 hours until 0530 hours on uesday 31st August 2021 or until completion of the works within this

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Ivy House Farm - C164 Ring O Bells Lane,
Lathom - A5209 Briars Lane, Lathom - A5209 Lowry Hill Lane, Lathom A5209 Course Lane, Newburgh - A5209 Ash Brow, Newburgh - A5209
Alder Lane, Parbold - B5246 Lancaster Lane, Parbold - B5246 Chonley
Road, Parbold - B5246 Chorley Road, Hilldale - B5246 Robin Lane,
Hilldale - B5246 Robin Lane, Bispham - B5246 Hall Lane, Bispham C164 Mains Lane, Bispham - C164 Wanes Blades Road, Lathom - C164
Hoscar Moss Road, Ivy House Farm and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow track inspections at the level crossing to be carried out by Centurion Site Services on behalf of Network Rail.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780

[Ref: HRiT/29775/EW1

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West Lancashire Borough Council Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

2021/0570/FUL The application is in regards to fitting an awning to the ront of the property - 19A Church Street (Cobble Coffee). The awning wil allow outside seating to be covered as well as people waiting/gueuing to enter the building. It is to be retractable so when closed, it is safely and enter the building. Its to be released between closed, its safety and securely tucked away. The awning will be 6150mm and will stretch the full width of the site at Cobble, 19A Church Street, Ormskirk
The application affects a Conservation Area.
The application affects a Listed Building.

2021/0733/FUL Use of an existing outdoor area for extra seating for customers and erection of fence at Cobble, 19A Church Street, Ormskirk

customers and erection of rence at Coolie, 19A Church's treet, Ormskirk.
The application affects a Listed Building.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2021/0935/FUL Installation of Calor Gas LPG 1200litre Cylinder.
Construction of timber pergola. Replacement of existing timber fire escape staircase. Siting under stairs for a removable cold/refrigeration Unit.

Retrospective at The Slipway, 48 Crabtree Lane, Burscough
The proposed development affects a right of way to which Part III of the
Wildlife and Countyside Acts 1981 applies.
2021/0953/FUL Side and rear first floor extension at Parklands, 70

Liverpool Road, Rufford

The application affects a Conservation Area. The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website

www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. If it is not possible for you to view the application via the Council's website, please contact the office to discuss alternative arrangements for viewing the application. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's website, by email to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development, Heritage & Environment Manager, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these nust be received within 24 days of the date of this notice quoting the

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development if an appeal is made against a decision to refuse to grant planning

procedure, any tract appeal proceeds under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

How information about you will be used

Personal data provided by you will be used as part of the Council's statutory planning duties. Some of this information, including your name and address, will be published. Further information about this is available ww.westlancs.gov.uk/planning and hard copies are available

on request.

Heidi McDougall BS c (Hons), MBA Dated: 18th August 2021

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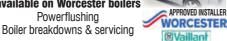
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SOMEONE in Ford's sales department is looking a little worried right now. July's sales figures have come in and the Fiesta's been squeezed off the sharp end of the UK bestsellers list again.

That's because 26,215 of you have looked at the Fiesta, and Peugeot's 208, Volkswagen's Polo, Toyota's Yaris and Honda's latest Jazz, for that matter, and decided you'd rather have a Vauxhall Corsa instead. A few months ago I wrote in The Champion that I reckoned it was the all-electric Corsa E giving it the edge – the most Ford can offer Sir David Attenborough is a mild hybrid model – but after spending a weekend with the nation's favourite (the car that is, not the Blue Planet presenter), I reckon there's more to it.

The Corsa I ended up with, let's be candid, wasn't some miserable poverty-spec model that comes in at anywhere near its kickoff price of just over £17,000 - mine was the Elite Nav model, which was one down from the range-topping Ultimate model, and came with cruise control, parking cameras and, as the name suggests, satnav thrown in. Nor was it the electric-only model – nope, this one came with a very 20thcentury-esque 1.2-litre petrol engine, good for 100bhp and allied to six, manually-selected gears.

It also arrived in retina-searingly bright Power Orange, which made it look like it should have been driven by an unfortunate Easyjet employee forced to do so by his fleet manager, but aside from that I reckon it's betterlooking than the Fiesta. Inside it feels more substantially built, too, and on the road it feels streets ahead of, and more grown-up than, the Corsa it replaced. If you'd have asked me two years ago which supermini to go for I'd have said the Fiesta in a heartbeat – and plenty of you agreed, if the sales figures at the time were anything to go by - but now it's not so clear-

But I wouldn't have one, for one simple reason – the seats. Maybe you'll plump your posterior onto the Corsa's throne and enjoy every minute of it, but I did nearly 300 miles of mostly motorway driving, and found that no matter how much I adjusted the driving position, it wasn't especially comfortable – and it's not the first Vauxhall I've encountered that with. The outgoing Astra was exactly the same, feeling particularly hard on your lower back on longer stints.

So perhaps the chap in Ford's sales department isn't looking overjoyed, but I suspect his counterpart at Vauxhall's seat design bureau might have his day a bit better. Don't buy the Corsa or the Fiesta on the basis of a ten-minute test drive. They're both brilliant, but make sure you give them a proper, extended drive before taking the plunge.

Your buttocks will thank you for it.

David Simister is the editor of Classic Car Weekly



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